

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA**

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RIVER EROSION
Chaliha Shri Kirip

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of erosion caused by Dhansiri river in Assam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any initiatives for anti-erosion measures; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As informed by Government of Assam, at present, river Dhansiri is causing erosion in various reaches on its right banks at Kordoiguri (Dhansiripar), Old Kamargaon, Barpathar Simalu-Chapari & Near Saontoli Railway Station, and on its left banks at Kuruabahi and Moinapar areas.

(c) and (d) The Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region has extended financial support of Rs. 3.75 crore under Non Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) for anti-erosion schemes of river Dhansiri in Assam during 2001- 02, namely, (i) Protection of different reaches from the erosion of river Dhansiri at Assam, Karbi Anglong District Phase-I and (ii) protection of different reaches from the erosion of river Dhansiri at Assam, Karbi Anglong District Phase-II. Further, the State Government of Assam has taken up the anti-erosion works in Kuruabahi and Barpathar Simalu- Chapari areas which are under execution.